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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 14, line 18 with the following amended paragraph:

-- If the images are sent to the hand piece section 100 (by wire or by radio waves), the hand piece section 100 may send the image information to a monitor, recorder, data processor, or other device. The hand piece section 100 may transmit such information by wire or by wireless transmission. For example, the hand piece section 100 may include a transmitter 14, which may be, for example, an RF transmitter such as the transmitter described in the above mentioned WO01/65995. Alternately, the imaging unit 13 may include a transmitter and transmit image or other information directly to a monitor, recorder, data processor, or other device. All or some of the elements of the imaging unit 13 may be powered by a ~~battery 12~~ battery 11, which may be a single use or a rechargeable battery, contained at the distal tip 210. Alternatively the elements may be powered by a ~~battery 12~~ battery 11 located elsewhere along the endoscope 1, for example, in the hand piece section 100. --